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SOUTH KOREANS EXPRESS GRATITUDE TO STALIN

After having liberated Koreans, now at their request, the generous and heroic Soviet Army has gracefully and completely withdrawn from Korea. South Koreans, motivated by their intense desire to show their sincere appreciation, got together and sent a letter, signed by more than 9 million South Koreans, to Generalissimo Stalin. The number of signers, according to province is as follows:

<u>City and Province</u>	<u>No of Signers</u>
Seoul	1,022,008
Yonggi-do	1,700,217
Chungchong Pukto	721,008
Chungchong Namdo	451,130
Cholla Pukto	600,301
Cholla Namdo	1,600,129
Kyongsang Namdo	1,340,114
Kyongsang Pukto	2,002,027
Kangwon-do	<u>501,252</u>
Total as of 15 Nov 1948	9,938,186

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